IN THE SPECIFICATION

1. Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 28 with the following replacement paragraph:

In the first embodiment, Time Efficient Context Transfer (TEXT) is used for PPP context transfer. Traffic to and from mobile 330 can flow via old AR 306 through bi-directional tunnel ~~308~~ 309, bi-directional edge tunnel (BET) between old AR 306 and new AR 305, while PPP context information is being transferred from old AR 306 to new AR 305. Prior to the establishment of a PPP link between mobile 330 and new AR 305, mobile 330 relies on its PPP link with old AR 306, while taking advantage of a secure air link (physical and radio link protocol) with new AR 305. This way mobile 330 does not have to establish a PPP link with new AR 305 in order to receive its traffic through BET.

2. Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 15 with the following replacement paragraph:

Therefore, the following are potential triggers for PPP context transfer:
1-Start of BET establishment signaling: In most of cases (except when PPP timers are to be transferred) the PPP parameters are static throughout the lifetime of the bi-directional tunnel. In those cases, the same triggers used for BET establishment can be used to start PPP context transfer.
2-BET lifetime expiration: Expiration of the bi-directional tunnel can be used as the trigger for PPP context transfer. However, the old AR needs to request extension of tunnel lifetime from the new AR.
3-Physical link release indications: When the mobile data session

goes dormant, i.e., when mobile traffic subsides. Due to the low bandwidth nature of the RF link, such indications are readily available in a timely manner at the RAN. Examples include release of allocated Walsh codes in CDMA and release of allocated time slots in TDMA systems. This type of indication needs to be communicated to the PDSN using some BS/PCF to PDSN signaling.

Once, the PPP context information is transferred to new AR 305, old AR 306 is responsible for the PPP termination (through new AR 305 to mobile 330 via tunnel ~~308~~ 309) and new AR 305 needs to download and install mobile 330's PPP context, before mobile 330 starts new CoA acquisition procedures to assume new AR 305 as its default router.